

Stockbridge Board of Selectmen -Draft

October 17, 2019

7:00 PM

Present: Lee Ann Isaacson, Mark Pelletier, Dave Brown, Jim Shands, Lori Scott

The meeting came to order at 7:05 PM. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved with one change. Adding Jim Shands as he was in attendance on 10/3.

Mark motioned to move the Road Report to first on the agenda. Seconded by Jim and approved.

Road Report

Sand Shed.

Lori provided the details on the next steps to cancel the grant for the sand shed. Two Rivers provided an invoice with \$0 in charges to the town and invoice from DuBois & King for planning services in the amount of \$2,300 that would have to be paid. The board discussed pausing and extending the grant, and decided to close the grant, pay DuBois & King and continue to investigate potential sites. The town will reengage later when a location is identified.

Roads

Culvert on Labadie Road was completed.

Dave is scheduled to pick up the new town truck Friday 10/18/2019. 2012 International is ready to be traded in.

Leaf Blower that was purchased by the town 10/4 is work very well.

Dave working to schedule ditch cleanup on Davis Hill and Whitcomb Hill.

Town Line Bridge on Lilliesville Road has been cleaned up by the Town of Bethel.

Initial delivery of salt came in this week to get ready for the winter. Cost was at \$78/ton.

Dave met with Lynn Austin this week to review work needed on Whitcomb Hill. Some trees will need to be removed and there may be an opportunity to reshape the road more appropriately. There are also some power poles that will need to be addressed.

Gaysville Bridge expansion joint and footing work is underway.

Flood Damage Update: 22 roads were damaged during the 4/15 flood this spring. As of last board meeting, the only remaining work is the bridge on River Road at the Lilliesville Brook Road. Town is now awaiting funding from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) for this work. No work can commence until funding is in place. **Action Item:** Dave to meet with the Fish Biologist from the state. He will also forward the plan to the Board.

Culvert was completed on Davis Hill Road

Spring Street grant application was denied. The culvert is in very bad shape. It is 36" X 30 ft long. Dave may have to do some interim patching until next spring.

Stony Brook Road Speed: Letter was sent to A. Johnson attention to Rob Fields to voice complaints and request corrective action.

FEMA Last Project Close out from Irene: Lori provided the reimbursement details. The final total due the town is \$258,000. \$235,000 will be sent within 10 days and the remaining \$23,000 upon final signatures on the Project Completion and Certification Report (PCCR). **Action Item:** PCCR to be emailed on 10/18/2019

Other Business

Orders were reviewed and signed

Lori reviewed the Technology work plan progress with the board. Lister and Clerk PC's have been replaced, Town office is on eFiber for internet connectivity, and working on finalizing back up strategy improvement plan for the office computers

Lee Ann provided update on the complaint on the Santos property in Gaysville. The owner must board up the building and this has not yet been done. **Action Item:** Lee Ann will continue to work with Dan Levy the Health Officer.

Lori reviewed a request from Front Porch Forum for a contribution. Board would like to send this the Trustee's of Public Funds for review. **Action Item:** Lori to send to the committee.

Blue Cross/Blue Shield has increased the town's health insurance premium by 15% starting January 1st. (\$207/month or \$2,400) This is consistent with other towns in Vermont. **Action Item:** Ensure that the 2020 budget is reflective of the cost increase.

New Business:

Board is reviewing the current Annual Performance Review form and process. **Action Item:** Lori to get samples of forms being used at other towns.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Lori Scott, Town Clerk
